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SOUTH OF THE SAHARA

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1. CONCUR IN USE OF TALKING POINTS CONTAINED REFTTEL DURING
MARCH 23 NAC REVIEW OF SUBJECT REPORT.

2. ADDITIONAL TALKING POINTS:

A. CASTRO VISIT

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-- WE ARE FOLLOWING WITH INTEREST THE VISIT OF
PRESIDENT FIDEL CASTRO TO AFRICA. THUS FAR, HIS TRAVELS
APPEAR TO BE DEDICATED TO BOLSTERING CUBAN PRESTIGE AND
THE ENHANCEMENT OF TIES WITH LIBYA, UGANDA, ETHIOPIA,
SOMALIA AND OTHER AFRICAN NATIONS. WE WOULD VIEW WITH
CONCERN, HOWEVER, ANY TRANSFERS OF WEAPONS OR ASSOCIATED
EQUIPMENT WHICH DESTABILIZE THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY

BALANCE IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA.

B. AFRO-ARAB SUMMIT

-- THE CONFERENCE OF AFRICAN AND ARAB HEADS OF GOVERNMENT CONCLUDED EARLIER THIS MONTH IN CAIRO ON A POSITIVE NOTE. WE WOULD HOPE THAT THE ARAB FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION WHICH HAS BEEN PLEDGED ACTUALLY FINDS ITS WAY INTO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS CONTEMPLATED BY A NUMBER OF AFRICAN NATIONS. THIS IS AN AREA OF ACTIVITY WHICH COULD COMPLEMENT OUR OWN EFFORTS.

C. UGANDA

-- WE HAVE LITTLE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN UGANDA HAS AMELIORATED. MY GOVERNMENT VIEWS THE BARBARIC BEHAVIOR OF THE AMIN REGIME AS REPUGNANT AND IN CLEAR VIOLATION OF ALL STANDARDS OF HUMAN DECENCY.

D. ZAIRE

-- THE MILITARY SITUATION IN THE SHABA PROVINCE OF ZAIRE REMAINS FLUID. HOWEVER, WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THE ORGANIZATION FOR AFRICAN UNITY (OAU) WILL PROVIDE THE IMPETUS FOR A CEASEFIRE AND RETURN OF THE SITUATION TO NORMALCY. IN THE INTERIM, I RECOMMEND THAT WE WATCH DEVELOPMENTS CLOSELY AND EXCHANGE INFORMATION, GIVEN THE POSSIBILITY OF NON-AFRICAN MATERIAL SUPPORT
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FOR THE INVASION OF ZAIRE.

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